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1. AMB SCHAUFELE SPOKE WITH UN ASST SECGEN FOR SPECIAL POLITICAL QUESTIONS, ABDULRAHIM FARAH, APRIL 3. FARAH TOLD SCHAUFELE THAT SYG NOW HAS REQUEST FROM ANGOLAN TRANSITIONAL GOVT FOR A REP OF SYG TO VISIT TERRITORY. WALDHEIM CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT OAU INVOLVEMENT IS NECESSARY AS WELL. ACCORDINGLY, FARAH LEFT NEW YORK EVENING APRIL 3 FOR LISBON, TO DISCUSS ANGOLAN MATTERS WITH GOP, THEN DAR-ES-SALAAM, WHERE HE WILL PARTICIPATE IN OAU MEETING AND BE JOINED BY AS YET UNIDENTIFIED OAU REP FOR TRIP TO ANGOLA. FARAH EXPECTS ALSO TO STOP IN KINSHASA APRIL 10 FOR ONE DAY, EN ROUTE TO LUANDA.

2. OBJECTIVE OF TRIP WILL BE TO TRY TO AMELIORATE DIFFERENCES AMONG LIBERATION GROUPS. OSTENSIBLY, HOWEVER, IT WILL BE FAMILIARIZATION VISIT TO LOOK INTO POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENTS.

3. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE HELPFUL AND OF MUTUAL INTEREST FOR
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COUNSELLOR NEWLIN IN KINSHASA TO CONTACT FARAH, WHO SPECIFI-

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CALLY SUGGESTED IT, AND LEARN HOW VISIT PROCEEDING TO THAT DATE. OTHERS, OF COURSE, MAY WISH TO DO SO AS WELL. FOR THEIR INTEREST, FOLLOWING BIO ON FARAH MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE:

FARAH IS CURIOUS MIXTURE OF WALES AND SOMALIA, HIS MOTHER HAVING BEEN WELSH AND HIS HAVING RECEIVED HIS EDUCATION IN CARDIFF. HE SERVED IN EARLY TRUSTEESHIP ADMINISTRATION IN SOMALILAND, LATER BECOMING SOMALI PERMREP TO UN. FOLLOWING THAT POST, FARAH JOINED UN SECRETARIAT AND PREVIOUS TO PRESENT POSITION, WAS SPECIAL ASSISTANT FOR AFRICAN QUESTIONS. FARAH IS EXTREMELY FRIENDLY AND OUTGOING, FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO THE WEST, DISCREET, AND VERY MUCH A REALIST.
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